

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
STEPHANE AUBERGER ET AL. § Confirmation No. 6149  
Serial No.: 10/522,464 § Group Art Unit: 2621  
Filed: January 26, 2005 § Examiner: Nhon Thanh Diep  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR ENCODING A DIGITAL  
VIDEO SIGNAL §

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**Reply under 37 CFR 1.116**  
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Dear Examiner:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 1, 2009, the following is being submitted for placing the above-identified application in *prima facie* condition for allowance. Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.